Green Bonds: Financing Climate Solutions

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Why Green Finance?



"Enormous opportunity exists to deploy green bond financing, to renew existing, aging urban infrastructure and also in emerging markets and economies that will be building new energy and urban networks in the coming years."

Sean Kidney, CEO Climate Bonds Initiative at COP21, December, 2015





The Climate Bonds Initiative

Investor-focused NGO mobilising debt capital markets for climate solutions

- Outreach to inform and stimulate the market
- Market data and analysis
- **Standard & Certification Scheme**
- **Support for regulators**















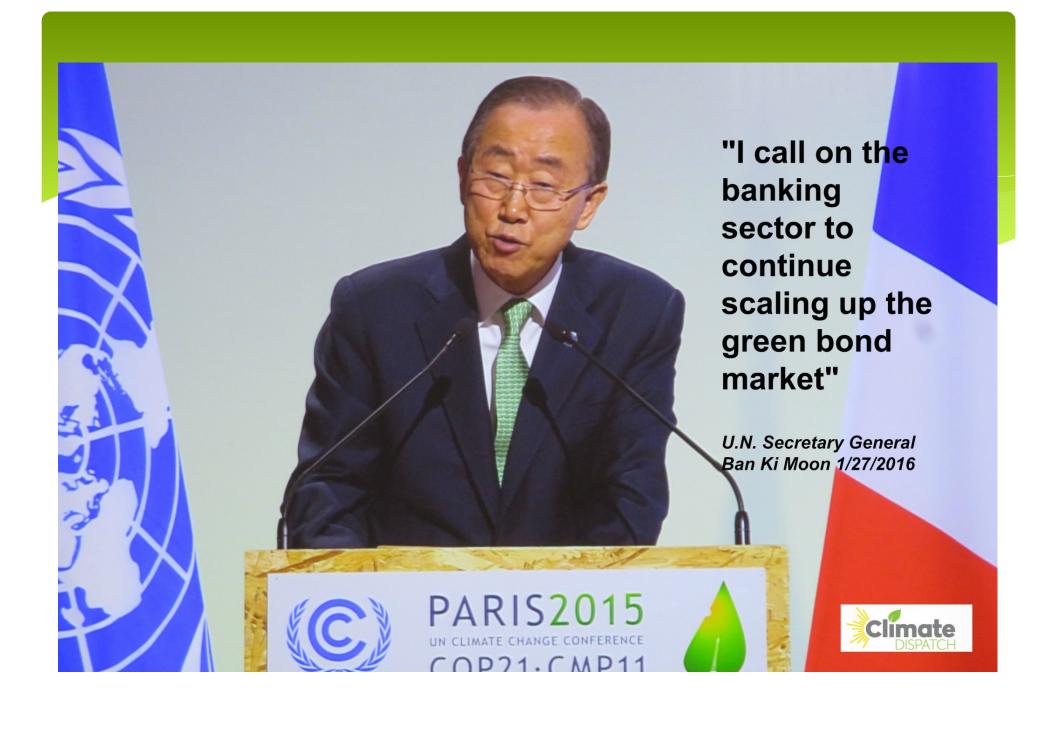


Bonds

A Quick Bond Primer

- Bonds are a form of debt (as opposed to ownership/equity)
- Bonds enable many investors to lend money for a project and get repaid
- * The Issuer/borrower agrees to pay back at an understood rate over a period of time
- * Bond doesn't represent ownership of business
- Typically considered safer than equity
- Transaction costs are more than conventional loan
- * Taxable vs. tax exempt

Green Bonds



What is a Green Bond? Use of Proceeds

- Clean energy including solar and wind installations
- Energy-efficient buildings
- * Technologies to reduce GHG emissions
- Clean transportation
- * Sustainable waste and water management
- Sustainable forestry and agriculture
- Protection against flooding, watershed management, wetlands restoration, biodiversity conservation
- * Infrastructure consistent with a climate-challenged world
- * Climate adaptation

What is a Green Bond? Structural Components

- Competitive pricing and coupon rates
- * USD benchmark size
- * Ring-fenced proceeds
- * Project transparency
- * Impact reporting
- * Third party verification

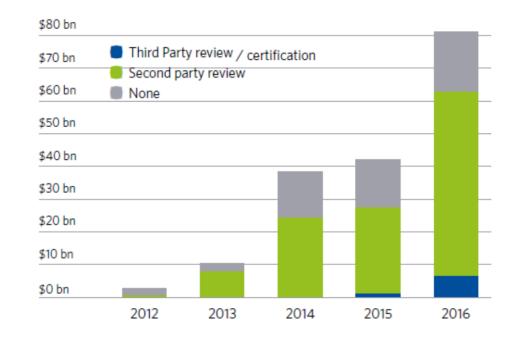
What is "Green" – External Review?

Majority have independent review

Green Bond Principles create a basis

Climate Bonds Standard & Certification Scheme supports scalability and consistency via a standards-based approach

Overview of the share of external green bond certifications















Who Buys Green Bond? Fiduciaries

- The worlds largest asset owners
 - California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)
 - California State Teachers Retirement System (CalSTRS)
 - California State Treasurers Office
 - New York Common Retirement Funds
 - * TIAA
 - * AP2 (Sweden), FMO (Netherlands), Zurcher (Germany), etc.
- * The worlds largest asset managers and SRI funds
 - * BlackRock
 - * StateStreet
 - * Pax, Trillium, Calvert, etc.

Why Issue Green Bonds?

- * To raise money for a project (not operations)
- Investor diversification access to new and different types of investors
- * Market positioning they are popular
- Pricing advantage high demand increases what investors may be willing to pay

Why Invest in Green Bonds?

- Client narrative facilitates alignment of social and environmental values with investment program
- * You don't have to pay for the "green" get your cake and eat it too
- * Identification and definition of green
- * An alternative to active engagement or divestment
- Secondary market value



Green Bonds:

Proceeds go to Green

Oversubscription in many cases

Comparable pricing

New and/or re-financing



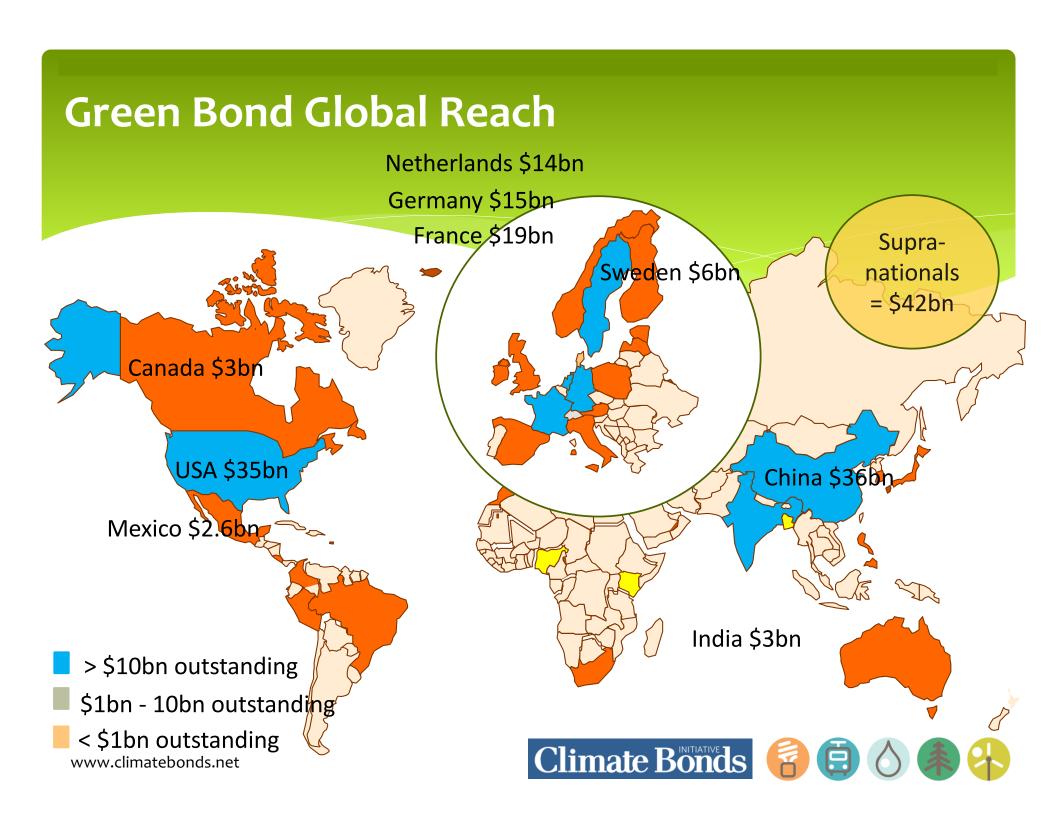










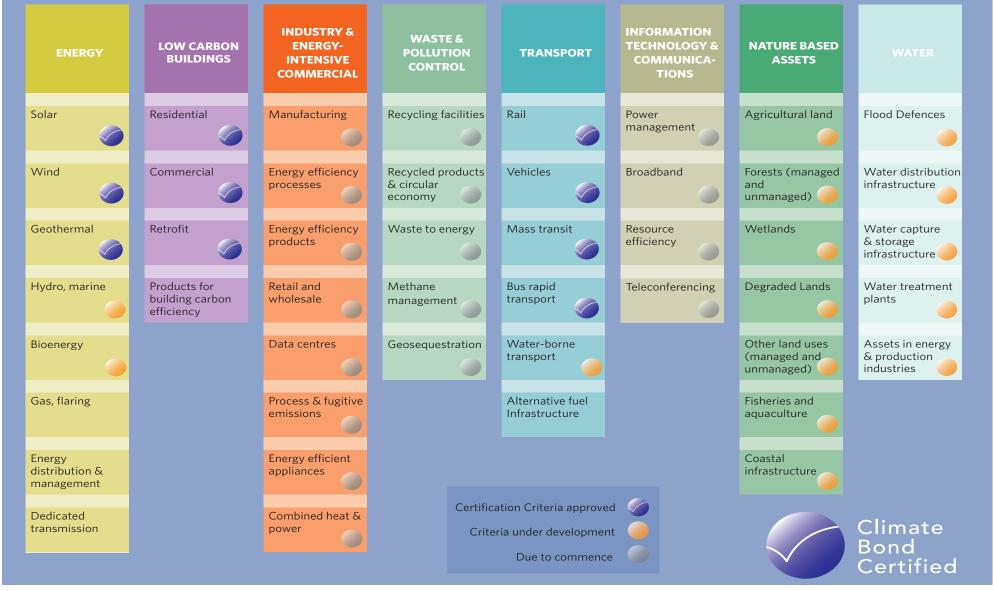


California Green Muni Bond Issuances

Issuer	Date*	Amount	General Purposes
State of California	10/7/2014	\$300,000,000	Mass Transit, Clean Water, Energy Efficiency
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission	5/20/2015	\$32,025,000	Renewable Energy
City of Los Angeles	6/4/2015	\$188,755,000	Wastewater, Digester, Water Purification
East Bay Municipal Utility District	6/17/2015	\$74,335,000	Clean Drinking Water, Conservation, Flood Protection, Renewable Energy, Biodiversity
City of Los Angeles	6/30/2015	\$100,835,000	Wastewater, Water Purification, Digester
San Diego Unified School District	1/5/2016	\$100,000,000	Energy Efficient Buildings, Renewable Energy
IBank	4/28/2016	\$410,735,000	Clean Water, Water Pollution Control
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission	5/24/2016	\$240,000,000	Clean water, wastewater
San Diego County Water Authority	6/23/2016	\$98,945,000	Water Efficiency
Midpeninsula Open Space District	9/22/2016	\$57,410,000	Open Space Acquisition, related
Port of Los Angeles	10/13/2016	\$35,205,000	Open space, habitat, green building
City of Napa	10/20/2016	\$12,500,000	Recycling and materials recovery facility
Los Angeles County Sanitation District	11/16/2016	\$170,265,000	Reclaimed water projects, sewage system Improvements

Issuer	Date*	Amount	General Purposes
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission	12/14/2016		Clean water projects (Climate Bond Certified)
IBank	3/23/2017	\$450,000,000	Clean Water, Water Pollution Control
California Health Facilities Financing Authority	5/3/2017		for Kaiser Hospital** System green buildings
City of Los Angeles (Taxable and tax-exempt)	5/24/2017	\$450,150,000	Sewage system upgrades
Bay Area Reapid Transit (BART) (taxable and tax- exempt)	6/1/2017	\$384,735,000	Rapid Transit (Climate Bond Certified)
California Pollution Control Financing Authority	Pending 6/14/2017		for CalAg manufacturing rice- straw to fiberboard plant
2014 Subtotal		\$300,000,000	
2015 Subtotal		\$395,950,000	
2016 Subtotal		\$1,384,410,000	
2017 Subtotal to (Mid- year)		\$1,923,110,000	
			* Dated per MSRB
			** companion taxable non-muni green bond for \$575 million also issued)
Total All Issuances		\$4,003,470,000	(prepared/updated by Michael Paparian May 30, 2017)

Green Bond/Climate Bond Standards















Climate Bonds Standard Certification Scheme

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Prepare the bond

- Identify assets that meet the relevant sector criteria and compile supporting information
- Create Green Bond Framework setting out how proceeds of the bond will be used

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Engage a verifier

- Engage an Approved Verifier for pre- and post-issuance Certification
- Provide them with relevant information
- Receive a
 Verifier's
 Report giving
 assurance
 that Climate
 Bonds Standard
 requirements are met

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Get Certified & issue a Certified Climate Bond

- Submit the Verifier's Report and Infomation Form to the Climate Bonds Initiative
- Receive a decision on preissuance Certification
- Issue your bond, using the Certified Climate Bond mark

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Confirm the Certification post-issuance

• Within 12

- months of issuance, submit the Verifiers post-issuance report
- Receive notification of post-issuance certification

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Report annually

- Prepare a simple report each year for term of the bond
- Provide it to bond holders and Climate Bonds Initiative





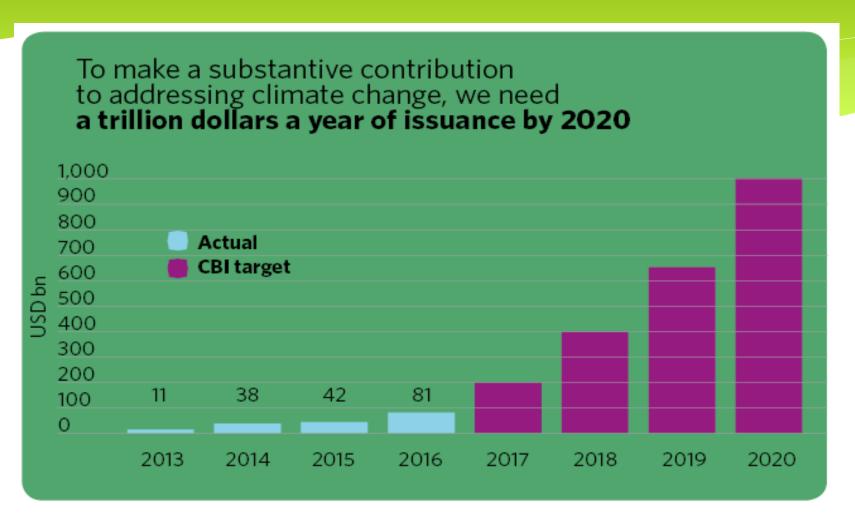








\$Trillion Needed Globally



Do we need \$35 Billion locally?



Opportunities

- * Corporate, state and local green bond issuances
- Partner with national/international entities to promote green bonds
- * Assist with issuances
- * Review infrastructure investments for consistency with climate needs & green bond standards
- * Integrate finance and climate policy/regulatory work
 - * E.g. work with other states, Mexico, etc.
- Develop a Bay Area green investment fund

Selected Resources

- * Climate Bonds Initiative: Reports, standards, etc. http://climatebonds.net
- * Treasurer Chiang Green Bond Report: "Growing the U.S. Green Bond Market" http://treasurer.ca.gov/greenbonds/publications/reports/1.pdf
- * World Bank Report: "What are Green Bonds" http://treasury.worldbank.org/cmd/pdf/What_are_Green_Bonds.pdf
- * UNEP paper "Shades of Green & Environmental Risks"

 http://unepinquiry.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/12_Green_Bonds_Certification_Shades_of_Green_and_Environmental_Risks.pdf
- * Green Bond Principles: http://www.icmagroup.org/Regulatory-Policy-and-Market-Practice/green-bonds/green-bond-principles/

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